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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir or Madame:

In response to the final Office Action dated 12/28/2007 "Office Action", Applicants submit the following amendment and response. Applicants respectfully traverse and request reconsideration.

**Amendments to the claims and specification begin on page 2.**

**Remarks begin on page 27**

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